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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL ON NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE IN  
THE MIDDLE EAST.

1. ISRAELI EMBASSY MINISTER BAR-ON CALLED ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES ON JUNE 12 TO EXPRESS ISRAELI CONCERN OVER AN EGYPTIAN AMENDMENT TO THE PROGRAM OF ACTION OF THE SSOD CALLING FOR THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO TAKE UP THE ISSUE OF A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. BAR-ON STATED THAT THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT WAS VERY DISTURBED BY THIS AND THAT IT BELIEVED SUCH ISSUES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED THROUGH DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BY THE PARTIES CONCERNED AND SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED ON THE PARTIES BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL. BAR-ON ASKED THAT WE ENCOURAGE THE EGYPTIANS TO WITHDRAW THE PROPOSAL.

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2. MAYNES REPLIED THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD NOT YET RECEIVED A REPORT ON THE EGYPTIAN MOVE. CONSEQUENTLY, HE COULD NOT COMMENT ON IT. AS A GENERAL PROPOSITION, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DID NOT LIKE THE PROPOSITION THAT OTHER UN BODIES SHOULD INSTRUCT THE SECURITY COUNCIL. HE PROMISED THAT THE U.S. WOULD GET BACK IN TOUCH WITH THE ISRAELIS WHEN WE RE-

CEIVED A REPORT ON THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL.

3. FOR POSTS INFORMATION, TEXT OF PROPOSED EGYPTIAN AMENDMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

"PENDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NWFZ IN THE ME, STATES OF THE REGION SHOULD SOLEMNLY DECLARE TO REFRAIN ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS FROM PRODUCING, ACQUIRING, OR ON ANY OTHER WAY, POSSESSING NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES AND FROM PERMITTING THE STATIONING OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON THEIR TERRITORY BY ANY THIRD PARTY AND AGREE TO PLACE ALL THEIR NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS.

"THE SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD CONSIDER PREVENTATIVE MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NWFZ IN THE ME SHOULD NOT BE FRUSTRATED BY ANY STATE IN THE REGION." VANCE

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